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LETTER DATED 29 OCTOBER 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT
REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I am pleased to transmit herewith a letter dated 29 October 1991 from Mr. Ahmad Hussein, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Iraq, informing you that the Turkish side is continuing to violate the territorial integrity and sovereignty of the Republic of Iraq.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
Permanent Representative

Annex

Letter dated 29 October 1991 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq addressed to the Secretary-General

Further to our two letters dated 16 October 1991, I have the honour to inform you that the Turkish side is continuing to violate the territorial integrity and overeignty of the Republic of Iraq, targeting the defenceless and innocent in the northern region and their homes. The details are as follows:

1. At 1545 hours on 25 October 1991, Turkish aircraft bombarded the villages of Qunahish and Girgasha in the Amadiyah district. At 1630 hours on the same day, Turkish aircraft bombarded the villages of Shildizah, Balandah, Ziwah, Qunahish, Girgasha, Belegah and Dayri in the Amadiyah district in Dohuk governerate, which resulted in the death and wounding of a number of Iraqi citizens and the destruction of some houses.

2. The Chief of General Staff of the Turkish Army claimed that the Turkish combat planes and helicopters had launched raids on the camps and positions of elements of the Turkish Kurdish Workers' Party in northern Iraq, who, according to his allegation, had established bases for carrying out operations against frontier guard posts and army patrols, taking advantage of the conditions prevailing in the northern region. He added that the Turkish Army operations would continue against what he called "elements of the Workers' Party" and their positions in Iraq as long as it was necessary.

In informing you that the Turkish side's continued repetition of its violations of the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Iraq and its endangering of the security and safety of Iraqi citizens on pretexts that are legally inadmissible constitutes a blatant violation of the United Nations Charter and norms of international law and endangers peace and security in the region, I request you to intervene immediately to take effective measures to put an end to the repeated violations of the Turkish side in a manner that makes clear to the international community the unfoundedness of the belief that the United Nations applies a double standard in dealing with the issues of its Member States, inasmuch as the fundamental goal of the United Nations is to achieve peace, to maintain peace and to protect the territorial sovereignty of all Member States.

I request you to have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Ahmad HUSSEIN
Minister for Foreign Affairs